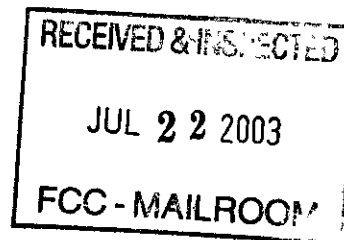


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Re: ***Interstate Common Line Support and Long Term Support***
Annual Certification Filing
CC Docket No. 96-45

This is to certify that Eckles Telephone Company dba BEVCOMM will use its ***Interstate Common Line Support and Long Term Support*** only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and service for which the support is intended.

I am authorized to make this certification on behalf of the company named above. This certification is for the study area(s) listed below:

Company Name	State	Study Area Code
Eckles Telephone Company	MN	361386


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